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1. Security conditions in the vicinity of Rengam are some better than a year ago but are far from easy. In late August, another truck ambushed and destroyed by guerrilas.

- 2. trucks operate within a 15 miles radius of Rengam gathering latex. armored cars and trucks for protection but can not police all operations.
- 3. Travel in the area, even in daytime, is not considered safe and personnel move about only in armored vehicles. This is true even on the well traveled road to Kluang
 - 4. While I do not visit areas farther north, I have been told the situation is much better and the Rengam area is probably the worst in Malaya.
 - 5. The news of guerikla activity is suppressed and U.S. papers do not give a fair indication of conditions.

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